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SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC. ("SBC"), by its attorneys and on behalf of its subsidiaries, including Southwestern Bell Telephone Company ("SWBT") and Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems, Inc. ("SBMS"), submits these Comments in support of the Motion For Extension of Time filed in this matter by GTE Service Corporation ("GTE") on February 5, 1996. GTE requests a one-month extension of the time to file comments and replies in the above captioned proceeding. For the reasons stated below, SBC supports the extension of time in order to adequately address the myriad of issues raised by the Commission in its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM") released January 11, 1996.

As the Commission is well aware, a significant milestone in history occurred subsequent to the release of the NPRM in this proceeding--on February 8, 1996, President Clinton signed into law The Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Telecommunications Act of 1996 not only reshapes the telecommunications industry, but it also establishes the legal framework for the resolution of many of the issues made the subject of the NPRM in this proceeding, including interconnection and compensation arrangements. An analysis of the relationship of The Telecommunications Act of 1996 to the proposals made by the Commission in its NPRM reveals that there are far too many major issues to address than can be addressed within

the timeframes established by the Commission in this proceeding. Therefore, the Commission should grant an extension of time to file comments and replies herein.

Undoubtedly, the Commission is also analyzing the effect of The Telecommunications Act of 1996 on its operations. On February 13, 1996, the Commission's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau held a Public Forum to discuss telecommunications legislation implementation. One issue discussed at the Open Forum involved the method to determine when local exchange carriers ("LECs") have met the duty to establish reciprocal compensation with Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS") providers. This issue is at the heart of the instant NPRM.

It is apparent that a flurry of activity is occurring within the Commission and within the entire telecommunications industry. It is also apparent that many of the major issues raised directly or indirectly by the NPRM cannot be covered adequately within the timeframes of this proceeding; therefore, SBC urges the Commission to grant the extension of time requested by GTE so that the effect of The Telecommunications Act of 1996 upon the NPRM can be adequately addressed.

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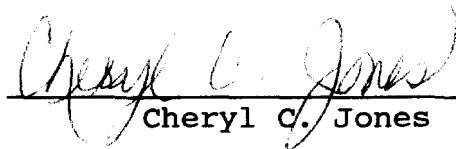
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